

Service Committee
August 18, 2008
5:45 PM
Minutes

Call to order: Mr. Paini called the meeting to order at 5:45pm

Roll Call: Present for roll call were Mr. Paini (Chair) and Dr. Bender. Also in attendance was Mayor Ebert, Steve Smith (WWTP), Bill Sims (Const. Svcs), Matt Peoples (Public Works), Dick Miller (Urban Forester), Joe Taylor (WTP), Ed Snyder (Streets) and Steve Farst (Village Engineer).

Motion to approve minutes of the July meeting was postponed.

Dr. Bender moved to excuse Mrs. Turner. Mr. Paini seconded the motion.

VOTE: **AYES:** Mr. Paini, Dr. Bender

NAYS:

Motion carried.

Engineer's Report:

Mr. Farst stated that on the Gender Road Safety study has been submitted and we are waiting on ODOT's response.

Dr. Bender asked what the improvement would be. Mr. Farst stated it could be a traffic light and / or pavement work. ODOT will choose what would be appropriate.

EMH&T has been working on some of the park master plan updates for Mr. Peoples.

Staff Reports:

Bill Sims –

Matt Peoples –

-Letters have been sent out for the sidewalk program and inspections have been done based on resident complaints.

-Annual NIMS training is wrapping up for compliance for 2008

Ed Snyder –

-Mowing is slowing down but there are many equipment repairs taking place.

-The back lot of the Street lot is being cleaned off in anticipation of building a new storage facility next year.

-Several questions have been received from residents regarding the dirt piled up by ODOT in the ditch-lines along 33. That should be removed within the next 2 weeks.

-Gender Road refurbishing job will be bid out June 10th, 2009. They anticipate micro-sealing the entire road.

Dr. Bender asked if E. Columbus Street was still waiting on utilities. Mr. Peoples stated that has been taken care of. They are still on schedule to start paving this week.

Dick Miller –

-Klamfoth has been chosen to install 22 trees on W. Columbus Street at a cost of \$10,980, including design costs. Tree species of Filbert Oak, silver bell, service berry and Fringe tree will be planted. Installation will be prior to December 18th, 2008.

- Westchester Park and James Kelley Preserve will receive landscaping in addition to the Fall Street Tree Planting. That includes 1500 feet of split rail fence at Westchester for a total cost of \$35,000.

-Ash replacement plan includes planting 5-10 trees.

Mr. Paini stated that the landscaping is starting to die at Meijer's. Mr. Miller stated that he spoke with them and they were supposed to start pulling the dead shrubs on Friday and that didn't get done. He will speak with them again.

Dr. Bender asked how long the extra watering will continue. Mr. Miller stated he is losing his summer help in two days. There are other village staff willing to help, though.

Joe Taylor –

- VXU package was ordered on the 11th of August and it should arrive in October and may be up and operating for the November reading cycle.
- Canal Pointe lead and copper samples have been pulled and the first three have come back fantastically.
- Back flow surveys are continuing a couple times a week.
- Valve exercising is taking place throughout the week.
- Hydro-flushing will start in September.
- Sampling for water quality for the Village will start next week or the week after.

Steve Smith –

- Mr. Vlack is going to replace his lines and that will relieve much of the I&I issues.
- Some damage was incurred during a small thunderstorm last week.
- A drive was destroyed when a wrong pinion was shipped and inserted by our contractor. Mr. Smith spoke with the company and they should take responsibility for the cost of the drive.
- The sludge press building is going full tilt.
- Former Mayor Miller called about foam in Walnut Creek. It was coming from a plant somewhere upstream, not from Canal Winchester's plant. The EPA was informed. No sign of fish kill was observed.

Pended Items:

08-08 Tower Maintenance Contract

Mr. Taylor anticipates a bid opening around the 19th of December and Council authorization around the meeting in January.

Mr. Peoples requested that this be taken off the agenda and reinstated in November or December as it comes closer to needing Council action.

New Items for Discussion:

08-26 OPWC Funding Application Project Selection

Mr. Peoples stated that Gender Road south widening project has been on the agenda for awhile and EMH&T researched how they would score with OPWC. Gender Road. /Winchester Blvd synchronization will be looked at regardless of the grant money funded. The synchronization all along Gender Road up to Fox Hill will be looked at.

Short term solutions available are to add a second turn lane SB on Gender Rd to EB on Winchester Blvd. or to widen the pavement to retain the right hand turn lane from SB Gender to WB Winchester Blvd. This improvement would be for 960 feet of Gender and would add a mast arm signal at the intersection.

The long term improvements included a third through lane on Gender, a second through lane on Winchester Blvd.

There have been 142 accidents from January 1, 2005 to July 19th, 2008. That intersection handles 22,000 cars a day.

Further possible improvements were listed with regards to Gender Road / Fox Hill.

It was decided that the Gender / Winchester Road project will be sent forward to OPWC for possible grant funding.

Mr. Peoples asked for a sponsor for an Ordinance that will be read tonight. Dr. Bender will sponsor the legislation.

08-27 Five Year Capital Improvements Plan

Mr. Peoples discussed a packet that was included in the packet. Almost everything for 2009 has been approved for the budget. Some work on Trine Street will be added to the plan. The Waterloo Street rehab will be on the plan as it hasn't been rehabbed since 1993. High Street was on last year's plan and will be on again this year for the south side of High Street.

\$100,000 a year is to be spent on pavement reconditioning each year.

Mr. Peoples requested a sponsor for this resolution to be read at Council tonight. Mr. Paini will sponsor.

Old/New Business: None

Adjournment

Dr. Bender moved to adjourn this meeting of the Service Committee, seconded by Mr. Paini

VOTE: **AYES:** Dr. Bender, Mr. Paini
 NAYS:

Motion carried Time out 6:25pm